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SUBJECT: VISAS FOR TEACHERS AT KARACHI AMERICAN SCHOOL

REF: ISLAMABAD 6552 AND PREVIOUS

1. KAS SUPERINTENDENT MCGLOTHLIN AND CONSULAR OFFICER VISITED REZA HUSNAIN, DIRECTOR OF IMMIGRATION AND PASSPORTS, AUGUST 24 IN CONNECTION WITH ISSUANCE FOUR YEAR, MULTIPLE ENTRY VISAS TO O'HALES, NELSONS, AND SINNOTTS. DESPITE SPECIFIC ASSURANCES GIVEN TO CONSUL GENERAL IN JUNE AND AGAIN JULY 30 THAT TEACHERS WERE ENTITLED TO FOUR YEAR MULTIPLE ENTRY VISAS, AND DESPITE FACT THAT REMAINDER OF KAS AMERICAN STAFF HAVE BEEN ISSUED FOUR YEAR MULTIPLE ENTRY VISAS IN PAST FEW WEEKS, REZA DECLINED, ON THIS OCCASION, TO ISSUE SUCH VISAS. HE STATED THAT NEW DIRECTIVE RECEIVED FROM HOME MINISTRY EARLY AUGUST PROVIDED THAT QTE PERSONS ON DEPUTATION TO PAKISTAN AGENCIES, SUCH AS PLANNING COMMISSION, TRAINEES, AND TEACHERS UNQTE WERE ENTITLED ONLY TO ONE YEAR VISAS.

2. MCGLOTHLIN AND CONSOFF POINTED OUT THAT TEACHERS WERE IN NO SENSE ON DEPUTATION TO A PAKISTAN AGENCY, THAT WE HAVE BEEN TOLD REPEATEDLY THAT THEY ENTITLED TO FOUR YEAR MULTIPLE ENTRY VISAS, AND THAT OTHER KAS TEACHERS RECENTLY ISSUED SUCH VISAS BY HIS OFFICE. REZA ALSO TOLD THAT TEACHERS INSTRUCTED BY PAKISTAN EMBASSIES COLOMBO AND

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KATHMANDU TO APPLY FOR FOUR YEAR MULTIPLEENTRY VISAS, TO

WHICH THEY ENTITLED, ON ARRIVAL KARACHI.

3. REZA PROMISED REQUEST CLARIFICATION NEW INSTRUCTION AND SAID HE WOULD ADVISE CONGEN AND KAS IN FEW DAYS.

4. REQUEST EMBASSY ATTEMPT CLARIFY EARLY AUGUST DIRECTIVE WITH MFA, HOME MINISTRY, AND URGE THAT NECESSARY INSTRUCTIONS TRANSMITTED BY THEM PROMPTLY TO KARACHI IMMIGRATION AND PASSPORTS OFFICE. SINNOTTS AT LEAST HAVE ONE YEAR VISAS, BUT NELSONS AND O'HALES PRESENT VISAS, ISSUED IN KATHMANDU, ARE JUST FOR ONLY THREE MONTHS, WHICH ISN'T EVEN A TWINKLING OF THE EYE IN THESE PARTS.
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